

Table 40. Tenure, Number of Operators, Type of Organization, and Principal Operator Characteristics: 2002 and 1997

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Item	New Hampshire	Belknap	Carroll	Cheshire	Coos
F FARMS					
Land in farms	farms, 2002 1997	3,363 3,928	231 260	229 227	323 387
	acres, 2002 1997	444,879 463,383	23,430 24,188	29,785 26,446	41,256 46,805
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	2,043 2,817	132 179	140 175	207 280
	acres, 2002 1997	95,983 111,870	4,087 4,358	3,950 4,445	9,036 11,143
T TURE					
Full owners	farms, 2002 1997	2,474 2,705	170 191	200 176	203 239
	acres, 2002 1997	256,630 259,557	13,291 (D)	23,679 18,351	22,577 26,421
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	1,356 1,828	83 122	114 128	130 168
	acres, 2002 1997	27,222 32,495	(D) (D)	2,571 1,997	1,899 2,559
Part owners	farms, 2002 1997	767 980	56 65	22 32	100 115
	acres, 2002 1997	(D)	9,659	(D)	17,364 17,963
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 1997	185,914 119,579	9,707 7,139	7,623 4,206	20,581 12,412
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 1997	123,311 62,603	7,555 2,520	5,762 (D)	11,297 6,067
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	609 834	46 55	1,861 (D)	6,908 6,703
	acres, 2002 1997	64,745 71,910	(D) 2,360	(D) 2,142	7,660 7,736
Tenants	farms, 2002 1997	122 243	5 4	7 19	20 33
	acres, 2002 1997	(D)	480	(D)	1,315 2,421
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	17,912 78	(D) 3	306 4	(D) 13
	acres, 2002 1997	155 4,016	(D) 2	(D) 17	5 11
		7,465	(D) (D)	306 306	30 434
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS					
Total operators	number	5,540	404	375	526
Farms by number of operators:					
1 operator		1,571	113	106	162
2 operators		1,533	94	105	133
3 operators		176	6	13	23
4 operators		55	8	5	3
5 or more operators		28	10	-	4
Total women operators	number	2,171	160	147	192
Farms by number of women operators:					
1 operator		1,831	125	118	165
2 operators		142	7	13	12
3 operators		13	3	1	1
4 operators		3	3	-	-
5 or more operators		1	-	-	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS					
Sex of operator:					
Male	farms, 2002 1997	2,525 3,128	181 207	176 183	247 324
	acres, 2002 1997	384,047 408,870	21,695 21,014	26,904 23,147	35,373 43,117
Female	farms, 2002 1997	838 800	50 53	53 44	76 63
	acres, 2002 1997	60,832 54,513	1,735 3,174	2,881 3,299	5,883 3,688
Primary occupation:					
Farming	2002 1997	1,636 1,580	101 82	93 83	158 130
Other	2002 1997	1,727 2,348	130 178	136 144	165 144
Place of residence ¹ :					
On farm operated	2002 1997	3,000 3,291	219 220	190 190	289 328
Not on farm operated	2002 1997	363 428	12 16	39 29	34 43
Days worked off farm ¹ :					
None	2002 1997	1,380 1,283	79 59	83 62	120 118
Any	2002 1997	1,983 2,515	152 195	146 151	203 260
1 to 49 days	2002 1997	235 243	19 9	13 9	24 25
50 to 99 days	2002 1997	152 154	10 15	7 11	17 11
100 to 199 days	2002 1997	297 (NA)	14 (NA)	32 (NA)	30 (NA)
200 days or more	2002 1997	1,299 1,657	109 149	94 90	132 188

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Item	Grafton	Hillsborough	Merrimack	Rockingham	Strafford	Sullivan
F FARMS						
Land in farms	farms, 2002 1997	421 531	481 534	502 550	445 569	281 310
	acres, 2002 1997	85,794 82,434	40,104 45,323	79,169 67,895	31,656 42,544	33,597 29,749
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	259 397	271 358	287 372	281 389	188 255
	acres, 2002 1997	18,732 21,196	10,373 12,822	13,983 15,009	8,519 12,896	7,897 7,577
T TENURE						
Full owners	farms, 2002 1997	265 334	380 359	359 373	352 425	228 223
	acres, 2002 1997	43,112 41,164	23,728 24,239	43,413 36,199	18,033 23,951	25,207 18,481
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	145 231	191 225	175 230	203 274	140 177
	acres, 2002 1997	4,815 5,623	2,782 2,981	3,391 3,663	2,915 4,760	3,066 2,772
Part owners	farms, 2002 1997	135 173	86 141	125 135	83 112	42 59
	acres, 2002 1997	40,974 39,137	15,209 19,242	34,404 26,330	13,210 17,206	7,078 9,273
Owned land in farms	acres, 2002 1997	27,242 26,139	8,212 10,778	24,544 18,438	8,111 10,811	3,863 5,966
Rented land in farms	acres, 2002 1997	13,732 12,998	6,997 8,464	9,860 7,892	5,099 6,395	3,215 3,307
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	102 146	71 108	95 118	70 96	42 54
	acres, 2002 1997	13,109 14,577	6,963 8,632	9,932 9,727	5,491 7,553	3,863 3,516
Tenants	farms, 2002 1997	21 24	15 34	18 42	10 32	11 28
	acres, 2002 1997	1,708 2,133	1,167 1,842	1,352 5,366	413 1,387	1,312 1,995
Harvested cropland	farms, 2002 1997	12 20	9 25	17 24	8 19	6 24
	acres, 2002 1997	808 996	628 1,209	660 1,619	113 583	968 1,289
2002 NUMBER OF ALL OPERATORS						
Total operators	number	680	769	824	737	474
Farms by number of operators:						
1 operator		203	225	235	218	110
2 operators		189	236	228	182	154
3 operators		20	13	26	31	14
4 operators		6	3	10	11	2
5 or more operators		3	4	3	3	1
Total women operators	number	252	314	329	331	195
Farms by number of women operators:						
1 operator		212	289	278	248	177
2 operators		20	11	21	33	9
3 operators		-	1	3	4	-
4 operators		-	-	-	-	-
5 or more operators		-	-	-	1	-
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS						
Sex of operator:						
Male	farms, 2002 1997	345 436	337 394	372 431	290 411	194 248
	acres, 2002 1997	74,923 72,920	33,746 37,658	71,553 56,662	24,004 35,965	23,703 25,404
Female	farms, 2002 1997	76 95	144 140	130 119	155 158	87 62
	acres, 2002 1997	10,871 9,514	6,358 7,665	7,616 11,233	7,652 6,579	9,894 4,345
Primary occupation:						
Farming	2002 1997	215 217	231 251	260 236	232 247	160 127
Other	2002 1997	206 314	250 283	242 314	213 322	121 183
Place of residence ¹ :						
On farm operated	2002 1997	369 446	427 437	454 464	406 493	231 246
Not on farm operated	2002 1997	52 61	54 56	48 62	39 51	50 50
Days worked off farm ¹ :						
None	2002 1997	168 178	219 187	209 183	218 212	137 114
Any	2002 1997	253 339	262 323	293 357	227 340	144 190
1 to 49 days	2002 1997	48 23	23 41	24 38	34 47	14 23
50 to 99 days	2002 1997	6 17	29 28	21 21	30 19	11 14
100 to 199 days	2002 1997	37 (NA)	43 (NA)	47 (NA)	27 (NA)	19 (NA)
200 days or more	2002 1997	162 236	167 188	201 226	136 205	100 131

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Item	New Hampshire	Belknap	Carroll	Cheshire	Coos
PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.					
Years on present farm ¹ :					
2 years or less	2002	137	11	4	23
1997	167	10	12	18	10
3 or 4 years	2002	272	21	22	19
1997	244	10	8	40	14
5 to 9 years	2002	588	32	41	61
1997	557	38	36	50	37
10 years or more	2002	2,366	167	162	220
1997	2,417	149	139	224	156
Average years on present farm	2002	18.7	17.1	19.4	18.3
	1997	18.6	18.2	17.7	17.1
Age group:					
Under 25 years	2002	25	-	-	11
1997	17	1	2	3	1
25 to 34 years	2002	109	7	4	19
1997	220	20	10	18	12
35 to 44 years	2002	683	53	29	66
1997	841	56	37	101	39
45 to 54 years	2002	1,045	78	84	86
1997	1,181	82	63	107	69
55 to 59 years	2002	425	32	26	40
1997	457	28	44	41	27
60 to 64 years	2002	358	21	30	26
1997	326	35	23	41	24
65 to 69 years	2002	285	22	23	38
1997	317	16	14	24	9
70 years and over	2002	433	18	33	37
1997	569	22	34	52	32
Average age	2002	54.1	52.8	56.0	52.6
	1997	53.6	51.5	54.7	52.5
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION					
Family or individual	farms, 2002	2,917	210	210	285
	1997	3,445	237	200	338
acres, 2002	327,652	21,849	25,853	30,289	(D)
	1997	354,964	22,451	22,637	31,553
Partnership	farms, 2002	206	7	9	20
	1997	219	14	12	24
acres, 2002	49,315	932	918	5,370	6,828
	1997	44,855	1,281	1,440	8,003
Corporation:					
Family-held	farms, 2002	142	7	5	10
	1997	186	7	10	18
acres, 2002	33,893	417	432	4,083	(D)
	1997	39,591	(D)	577	5,287
Other than family held	farms, 2002	15	3	-	-
	1997	18	1	2	2
acres, 2002	1,765	189	-	-	-
	1997	2,845	(D)	(D)	761
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	83	4	5	8
	1997	60	1	3	4
acres, 2002	32,254	43	2,582	1,514	(D)
	1997	21,128	(D)	(D)	1,201

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PRINCIPAL OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS - Con.						
Years on present farm ¹ :						
2 years or less	2002	14	13	24	15	20
1997		12	39	22	19	10
3 or 4 years	2002	26	43	55	32	27
1997		36	38	34	28	23
5 to 9 years	2002	74	89	85	75	50
1997		57	67	81	89	52
10 years or more	2002	307	336	338	323	184
1997		353	308	352	349	173
Average years on present farm	2002	19.7	18.1	18.5	19.1	18.5
	1997	19.4	17.9	18.7	18.5	19.5
Age group:						
Under 25 years	2002	3	1	1	9	-
1997		6	2	1	1	-
25 to 34 years	2002	8	16	11	9	18
1997		24	24	36	34	23
35 to 44 years	2002	75	109	101	98	57
1997		132	124	123	117	45
45 to 54 years	2002	126	152	175	137	70
1997		148	161	163	180	99
55 to 59 years	2002	68	54	56	49	38
1997		50	65	53	73	34
60 to 64 years	2002	46	58	51	56	21
1997		45	32	62	33	25
65 to 69 years	2002	32	31	49	28	27
1997		40	41	37	52	40
70 years and over	2002	63	60	58	59	50
1997		86	85	75	79	44
Average age	2002	55.3	53.7	53.9	53.9	54.7
	1997	53.5	53.8	53.2	53.6	54.0
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION						
Family or individual	farms, 2002	373	420	424	360	239
	1997	480	462	480	482	268
acres, 2002	65,979	29,146	51,882	(D)	21,976	(D)
	1997	64,713	33,858	48,695	31,565	23,203
						36,436
Partnership	farms, 2002	24	20	33	35	22
	1997	23	23	27	41	16
acres, 2002	7,184	4,553	10,235	4,668	2,540	6,087
	1997	7,076	4,549	8,198	3,585	1,396
						5,043
Corporation:						
Family-held	farms, 2002	15	21	31	32	9
1997		22	31	35	32	20
acres, 2002	7,549	3,667	(D)	3,906	1,630	6,158
1997		7,633	5,328	4,741	6,104	2,462
Other than family held	farms, 2002	1	5	1	2	1
1997		2	3	3	-	2
acres, 2002	(D)	300	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
1997		135	(D)	-	-	(D)
Other - cooperative, estate or trust, institutional, etc.	farms, 2002	8	15	13	16	10
	1997	4	15	5	14	6
acres, 2002	(D)	2,438	(D)	(D)	1,290	(D)
	1997	(D)	1,453	(D)		2,688
						(D)

¹ Data for 1997 do not include imputation for item nonresponse.